

# Salem Lutheran Church

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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<b>2</b> 8:00 a.m. Traditions Communion Worship 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Praise Connection/ Communion Worship	<b>3</b> 9:00-Noon VBS 9:30 a.m. Education Team 1:00 p.m. Busy Needles 6:30 p.m. Eclipsing Empire	<b>4</b> 8:00 a.m. Women's Renewal at Salem 9:00 a.m.-Noon VBS 9:00 a.m. (co-ed) Bone Building	<b>5</b> 8:00 a.m. Men's Renewal 9:00 a.m.-Noon VBS 6:30 p.m. Choir 7:15 p.m. Martha Circle at Salem Lutheran	<b>6</b> 9:00 a.m.-Noon VBS 4:00 p.m. Quartet Practice	<b>7</b> 9:00 a.m.-Noon VBS 9:00 a.m. (co-ed) Bone Building 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing (coed)	<b>8</b> 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m. Long Lake Property Owners Association
<b>9</b> <i>Amy &amp; Adams</i> 8:00 a.m. Traditions Worship 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Praise Connection Worship 12:00 Noon Salem Auction  <i>Financial Stewardship                      Emphasis Sunday</i>	<b>10</b> 9:00 a.m. Music Plan. 1:00 p.m. Busy Needles 6:30 p.m. Eclipsing Empire	<b>11</b> 8:00 a.m. Women's Renewal at Salem 9:00 a.m. (co-ed) Bone Building 2-3:00 p.m. Woodland Bank (info. Meeting) 4:00 p.m. PMLT 6:00 p.m. Membership Team	<b>12</b> 8:00 a.m. Men's Renewal 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m. Council	<b>13</b> 9:00 a.m. Chaplain's Meeting 1:00 p.m. Ruth Circle 4:00 p.m. Quartet Practice	<b>14</b> 9:00 a.m. (co-ed) Bone Building 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing (coed)	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 8:00 a.m. Traditions Communion Worship 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Praise Connection/ Communion Worship  <i>Commitment Sunday</i>	<b>17</b> 1:00 p.m. Busy Needles 6:30 p.m. Eclipsing Empire	<b>18</b> 8:00 a.m. Women's Renewal at Salem 9:00 a.m. (co-ed) Bone Building 9:00 a.m. Stewardship Comm. 2:00 p.m. Executive Committee	<b>19</b> 8:00 a.m. Men's Renewal 5:00 p.m. Smorgasbord	<b>20</b> 9:00 a.m. Caring Community	<b>21</b> 9:00 a.m. (co-ed) Bone Building 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing (coed)	<b>22</b> 1:00 p.m. Toni Monson & Daniel Sorensen Celebration of Marriage
<b>23</b> 8:00 a.m. Traditions Worship 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Praise Connection Worship  <hr/> <b>30</b> 8:00 a.m. Traditions Worship 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Praise Connection Worship	<b>24</b> 1:00 p.m. Busy Needles 6:30 p.m. Eclipsing Empire  <hr/> <b>31</b> 1:00 p.m. Busy Needles 6:30 p.m. Eclipsing Empire	<b>25</b> 8:00 a.m. Women's Renewal at Salem 9:00 a.m. (co-ed) Bone Building 9:00 a.m. Executive Committee	<b>26</b> 8:00 a.m. Men's Renewal 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 9:00 a.m. (co-ed) Bone Building 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing (coed)	<b>29</b>



Walk with *Jesus*

*Listening*  
to Jesus Teach

## **Saying “YES” When You Would Like to Say “NO”**

When we are listening to Jesus teachings, we often say “yes” when we would like to say “no.” The paths that Jesus asks us to take are often difficult for us. We may think that we don’t have time; or that we don’t know how; or that we can’t afford it. Yet, when the small voice in the back of our minds tells us, “Say no; saying yes will make you uncomfortable;” we listen to the larger voice of Jesus and we say “Yes!” to the discomfoting opportunities and challenges which He presents to us. And, with Jesus walking beside us, we rise to the occasion; we meet the challenge; and we are abundantly blessed.

Our vision for Salem Lutheran Church is that we continue to grow as a congregation and community of worshippers; children, youth, and adults; equipping and strengthening ourselves as disciples of Jesus Christ to use our God-given gifts in purposeful, relational ministry. We strengthen ourselves as disciples of Jesus by saying “yes” to the challenges and opportunities that Jesus’ teachings put before us. Our church provides many opportunities to for us to say “yes” to sharing our time, talents, and financial resources to extend its ministry.

### **Challenging Times**

This is a time of greater than usual challenge, particularly economically. The result is greater difficulty as we consider what we are able to say “yes” to in our personal lives as well as our sharing with others. But, as Christians, we are confident that God will guide us as we seek to provide for our community, for our church, and for ourselves.

### **2010 Estimate of Giving**

On Sunday, August 9, “Estimate of Giving” and “Time and Talent Volunteer” Cards will be distributed to those attending services. Cards will be mailed to those not able to attend services on August 9.

A goal of the Stewardship Committee is for all Salem members to make an estimate of their giving for 2010 and complete the Time and Talent Volunteer Cards. Friends of Salem are invited to do so as well. This information will help ministry leaders more effectively plan for 2010.

On Sunday, August 16, the cards will be presented to the Church during the services. If you are unable to attend on August 16, we ask that you mail the cards to the church office for arrival by August 17.

Salem folks have a history of generosity. Thank you for your past, present, and future support.

*The Stewardship Committee*